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G.A. SPEAR et al.

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FOR FORMING A CONSISTENCY

GROUP

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to a Final Office Action dated May 1, 2006 ("Final Office Action") in which the Examiner found that claims 13, 26, and 40 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form and rejected the remaining claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. Applicants added the requirements of allowable claims 13, 26, and 40 to independent claims 11, 24, and 38 to place claims 11, 24, and 38 in condition for allowance. Applicants further canceled certain claims, and amended certain dependent claims so that all pending claims depend from one of claims 11, 24, and 38. Applicants submit that all pending claims 2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 17, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 31, 35, 36, 38, 39, and 41 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

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